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Re: Pedro Queiroz Vieira	
Serial No. 09/918,898	Examiner: Paik, Sang Yeop
Filed: 07/31/2001	Group Art Unit: 3742
For: Evaporation Device For Multiple Volatile Substances	
	Docket No. NEU34

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

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AMENDMENT

Please amend the above referenced application in response to the Office action mailed April 23, 2002, as follows.

In The Claims

Please amend claim 20 as follows.

20. The device of claim 18 wherein said wick openings are formed in a central area of said heating block between two parallel aligned heating elements.

Remarks

In the Office action claim 20 is objected to because in line 1, the word "opening" should read -- openings --.

In the Office action claims 1-3, 11, 12 and 15-17 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schimanski et al (US 5,222,186) or Demarest et al (US 6,361,752) in view of Nothe et al (US 6,172,373) or Bunnell et al (US 1,346,793). The rejection states that Schimanski or Demarest show an evaporation device including a housing containing a heating block with a heating element, a wick protruding out of a wick opening in the heating block. However, neither Schimanski nor